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The annual meeting of the Republican Editorial
 Association of Indiana will be held on Friday,

Feb. 24, at the Denison Hotel, parlors, Indian-
 apolis. Officers will be elected and other busi-
 ness will be transacted.

By order of the executive committee.

R. A. Brown, President.

HOKE SMITH has announced that it
 will be his mission to act the part of ex-
 ceptioner of the corporations and pen-
 sioners.

THE rulings of the presiding officers
 of the Indiana Legislature would make
 the most unique, novel and astonishing
 work on parliamentary usage that could
 be published.

THE Republicans in the Legislature of
 North Dakota, by failing to agree, have
 lost a United States Senator where they
 might have chosen one if a few men
 could have put the public welfare be-
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It must be a source of gratification to
 all Americans to see that the Ribot gov-
 ernment in France has been strength-
 ened by the storms through which it
 has passed, as was indicated by a vote
 by which confidence in it was declared
 by 315 to 186.

It is no doubt extremely gratifying to
 Mr. Cleveland to see how enthusiastically
 each member of his Cabinet in-
 dorsed the appointment of all the other
 members as the very best selection that
 could have been made and a proof of
 the President-elect's great wisdom.

THE Milwaukee Sentinel retracts its
 statement that "Judge Gresham's ap-
 pointment is the reward of party per-
 fidy," having, upon consideration of later
 Cabinet appointments, come to the con-
 clusion that "Mr. Cleveland's purpose is
 to break down the Democratic party."

WASHINGTON was the first man who
 conceived the idea of connecting the
 Ohio with the Atlantic by a series of
 canals. He was a believer in internal
 improvements. Consequently his birth-
 day is a proper season to inquire what
 has become of the "good-roads" move-
 ment.

MAY the spirit of George Washington
 to-day strive with those members of the
 Legislature who have refused to vote
 \$50,000 to the entertainment of the men
 who fought to save the Union which he
 did so much to establish, and strive so
 successfully that they will retrace their
 unpatriotic steps.

THE News has not attempted and will
 not attempt to explain its inconsistency
 in favor of a State appropriation for a
 soldiers' monument and opposing one in
 aid of the National Encampment of the
 G. A. R. It is one of those things that
 cannot be explained on any other ground
 than that of caprice.

WHEN a Democratic Senator asks
 that the official announcement of a con-
 firmation may be delayed, in order to
 prevent the President from nominating
 a man to take the place of the confirmed
 appointee, and Republicans agree to it,
 it is fair to say that senatorial courtesy
 may yet prevent all legislation.

It now seems that the winter race-
 track advocates in New Jersey may be
 able to maintain their nuisance, but in
 New Jersey, if a correspondent of the
 New York Times is correct, the race-
 track crowd have put the Democratic
 majority under some sort of obligation
 by furnishing campaign contributions.

ALABAMA announces with elation that
 forty thousand colored men, to whom
 the Constitution of the United States
 gave citizenship more than a quarter of
 a century ago, have been deprived of
 the right of suffrage by the Legislature.

To deprive a man of suffrage is to take
 from him the only sure defense of citi-
 zenship and personal protection. There
 can be no greater outrage, even if it
 does not cause comment.

GOVERNOR MATTHEWS missed a great
 opportunity to advance himself in the
 estimation of the fair-minded people of
 Indiana when he failed to veto the out-
 rageous McHugh bill extending two
 years all the terms of the municipal
 governments of the State except those
 of two cities having special charters.

The fact that he permitted it to become
 a law without his approval does not help
 him, since it is a confession that he be-
 lieves that the measure is a bad one, but
 that he has not the independence to
 veto it.

No Legislature ever had a better op-
 portunity to give the State a wide ad-
 vertisement of the most desirable char-
 acter than the present one has in the
 proposed appropriation for the National
 Encampment of the G. A. R. For reasons
 not necessary to detail, and the
 justice of which we neither affirm nor

deny at this time, Indiana has the repu-
 tation of being rather small in some
 respects. It is also the general impres-
 sion outside of the State that there sur-
 vives here a strong feeling of hostility
 to the old soldiers. The present is a
 grand opportunity to give the lie to
 both of these charges. If the Legisla-
 ture will appropriate \$50,000 in aid of
 the National Encampment its action will
 stand forever as an answer to the charge
 that the Hoosier State is mean or prej-
 udiced against the veterans. The mo-
 ment such an appropriation was made
 the fact would be sent by telegraph
 throughout the length and breadth of
 the land, and would be published next
 morning in hundreds of newspapers, to
 be read and commented on at hundreds
 of thousands of breakfast tables. It
 would be everywhere regarded and
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